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NOTICE.

A MEETING OF HIS MAJESTY'S
JUSTICES OF THE PEACE will be
held at the MAGISTRACY at 2.30 p.m.,
on TUESDAY, the 24th November, 1903,
for the purpose of considering the follow-
ing applications:From one JAMES D. M. CAMERON
for a Publican's Licence to sell and retail
intoxicating liquor on the premises situate
at No. 59, Elgin Road, Kowloon, under the
Sign of the 'Occidental Hotel'.
From one GEORGE JAMES CLARK
for an Adjunct Licence to sell and retail
intoxicating liquor on the premises situate
at No. 13, Queen's Road Central, under the
Sign of the 'Connaught House Hotel'.
From one RICHARD FRANCIS DALY
for an Adjunct Licence to sell and retail
intoxicating liquor on the premises situate
at No. 51, Des Voeux Road Central, under
the Sign of the 'Oyster Bar and Restau-
rant'.From one JOHN ANDERSON for an
Adjunct Licence to sell and retail intoxicat-
ing liquor on the premises situate at Happy
Valley, under the Sign of the 'Happy
Retreat Restaurant'.
T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Police Magistrate.Magistracy,
Hongkong, November 13, 1903. 2317

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from
the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that
GUN PRACTICE will take place from the
undermentioned Batteries and on the dates
as specified opposite:-
Fly Point and Upper Belcher Batteries
in a direction to the South of Chung
Hue Island at a range of about 4,500
yards, on the 24th November, 1903.
Stonescutters South Shore and East Bat-
teries in a South-Westerly direction
at ranges from 2,000 to 4,000 yards,
on the 27th November, 1903.
Lyemau (Pak-shan) and Sy-wan Bat-
teries in the direction of the en-
trance to Junk Bay at ranges from
2,000 to 4,200 yards, on the 27th
November, 1903.
Practice will commence at 9 a.m. daily,
and end about 11 a.m. daily, if the range
is clear.By Command, F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, November 18, 1903. 2338

EOTHEN MARK LODGE—No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the
EOTHEN MARK LODGE will
be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL,
on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at
5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. VISITING
BRETHREN are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, November 21, 1903. 2353THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER
BOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the
above Company will be held at the
Company's Office, No. 37, Connaught Road
Central, on TUESDAY, the 24th day of
November, at Noon, for the purpose of
presenting the Report and Statement of
Accounts to the 30th of September, 1903.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 19th to the
24th November, both days inclusive.
J. W. KEW,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 12, 1903. 2295

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the
above Company will be held at the HEAD
OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUES-
DAY, the 8th PROXIMO, at Twelve
o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors, together with
Statement of Accounts to the 30th April
last, and of declaring Dividends.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 24th inst.
to the 8th PROXIMO, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
JAMES WHITTALL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 16, 1903. 2321

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on Account
of the year 1903, at the Rate of Fifty
Cents per Share (or Five Per Cent on the
Capital of the Company) will be Payable at
the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK,
Hongkong, on and after MONDAY, the
30th instant, on Warrants to be obtained
from the Undersigned. Local Shareholders
are requested to apply at the Company's
Office for their Warrants.
The DIVIDEND will also be Payable at
the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK,
Shanghai, on presentation of Warrants
there, on and after the same date.
The REGISTER OF SHARES will be
CLOSED from MONDAY, the 23rd instant,
until MONDAY, the 30th instant, both
days inclusive, during which period no
Transfer of Shares will be registered.
By Order,
A. H. MANCILL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 14, 1903. 2311

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS IN
ADVANCE.AN early opportunity to those wishing
to send Greetings to their Relatives
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TOOTH XMAS and NEW YEAR'S CARDS of
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Hongkong, November 2, 1903. 2228

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Hongkong, July 24, 1903. 1145

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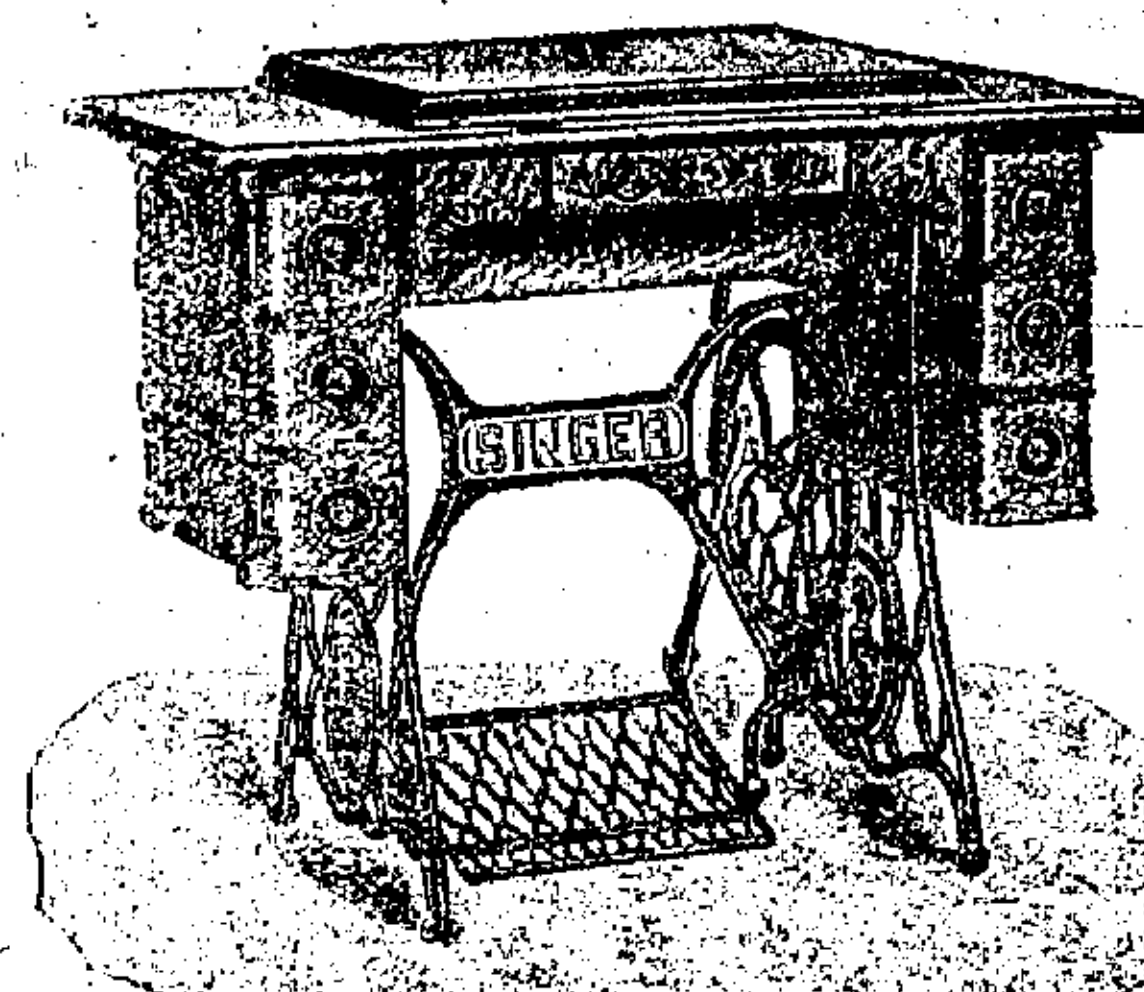
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Hongkong, October 16, 1903. 2133

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Hongkong, September 22, 1903. 1948

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THE Undersigned have received instruc-
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has aggravated the situation; and there is a movement to oust Mr. Redmond from the leadership.

Mr. William O'Brien, whose support has hitherto strengthened Mr. Redmond, has resigned Parliament, disgusted.

The Isthmus of Panama.

November 4.—The independence of the Isthmus of Panama was proclaimed last evening.

A large and enthusiastic crowd of all political parties marched to the headquarters of the Government troops, where General Tovar and Amey, who arrived in the morning, were imprisoned.

It is announced at Washington that the Nashville was despatched to Colon in consequence of the unsettled and dangerous condition of the Central American countries, in addition to the disrupting news from Panama.

Later.—The Revolutionists at Panama resent the non-ratification of the Canal Treaty, and have seized the Federal warships and imprisoned all naval and military officials. They have also organized a Government under a triumvirate.

Several American warships have gone to Panama and Colon to maintain free transit on the Isthmus.

The Colombian warship *Bogota* is bombarding Panama.

Eleven Chinamen have been killed, and the United States Vice-Consul has been instructed to protest.

THE MISSION TO TIBET.

A Forward Movement.

Calcutta, November 4.—The probability is that a forward movement into Tibet will be made immediately. The 23rd and 2nd Divisions and a company of Sappers and Miners, already on the frontier, will secure the Mission. A gun or two, and another native infantry regiment also be sent. Colonel MacDonald will command the forces; Major Eggleston will be attached; and Major Birchington will be Commissariat Officer.

The telegraph line, in spite of difficulties, has been laid to Khambojong.

It is hoped that the demonstration will result in the Chinese and Tibetan officials realizing that the Indian Government is determined to have a settlement of the questions at stake.

November 9.—The latest development on the Sikkim-Tibet border is that the Tibetans have turned back 500 yaks, which were being sent from Nepal for transport work with the British forces. The yaks had been despatched without an escort, and the Nepalese in charge had no option but to obey the orders of certain local Tibetan officials, who objected to their marching towards Sikkim. The British Commission will push on from Khambojong, the amount of transport collected indicating a forward move when all the necessary preparations are completed.

THE YARN MARKET

In their fortnightly report dated November 20, Messrs. Cawston Palfreys and Co. write:—

Since the issue of our last circular dated the 16th instant our Yarn Market ruled steady. The drop in the rate of exchange had the effect of rather strengthening prices from fifty cents to two dollars per bale, and the Chinese dealers taking advantage of this rise sold a lot for Northern markets. It is expected that a good demand will spring up after the present harvest operations are finished. A moderate demand has been experienced in No. 20s at a rate of 81 at 2 per bale on last mail's quotations; cheap threads move freely. Nos. 16s and 12s show little or no improvement, prices rule steady. The bulk of the business, as a rule, has been done in No. 10s at an advance of 8½ at 1½ per bale. Nos. 8s and 6s are not much inquired for. Sales during the past fortnight comprised about 45 Bales of No. 6s—1,100 Bales of No. 10s—355 Bales of No. 12s—250 Bales of No. 16s and 605 Bales of No. 20s—in all about 2,555 Bales. Arrivals during the fortnight per steamers *Idzumi Maru*, *Chuan*, *Gregory*, *Apar*, *China*, *Aratona*, *Apar* and *Puma* of about 7,000 Bales. Shipments to Shanghai and the Northern Ports about 2,500 Bales. The unsold stock is estimated at about 37,000 Bales. No sales are reported in Local as well as Japanese Yarns.

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Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	—	3000	Comdr. O. de B. Brock	Yokohama
Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,500	16	13,500	Captain T. H. M. Jorran	Wahaiwei
Algerine	sloop	1050	6	1400	Commander R. Nugent	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Capt. Charles Windham, O.V.O.	Hongkong
Blenheim	cruiser, 1st class	8000	12	12,000	Captain F. G. Bedford	Hongkong
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Comr. F. M. Leake	Hongkong
Britannia	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Comr. T. D. Pratt	Kobe
Cressy	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Nagasaki
Cherub	water tank and tug	380	—	370		Hongkong
Belisae	cruiser, 2nd class	3800	11	9800	Captain Robert H. S. Stokes	Shanghai
Zeppelion	sloop	1070	10	1400	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Wahaiwei
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	4	6700		Hongkong
Fearless	cruiser, 2nd class	1580	12	3200	Comdr. P. V. Lawley, D.S.O.	Sancti Spiritus
Glory	battleship, 1st class	12,950	10	13,500	Captain W. A. Carter	Wahaiwei
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Comr. H. L. Wall	Wahaiwei
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000		Hongkong
Humber	torpedo boat destroyer	1640	—	800	Comdr. J. D. Bainton	Wahaiwei
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut.-Comdr. G. Ascer	Wahaiwei
Kinsla	river gunboat	—	4	—	Lt.-Comdr. G. B. Powell	Yangtze-Kiang
Leviathan	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	2	31,532	Hon. N. G. Stopford	Japan
Moorehead	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. B. Webster	Wahaiwei
Mutiny	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Comdr. G. W. M. Plenderleach	Wahaiwei
Ocean	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6300	Captain R. F. Foote, O.M.C.	Wahaiwei
Orion	sloop	1015	6	1400	Lt.-Comr. G. G. Gorington	Wahaiwei
Rambler	surveying-vessel	835	6	650	Commander W. H. Nicholson	Amoy
Rinaldo	sloop	880	6	650	Captain Morris H. Stuy	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Comdr. D. St. A. Wake	Canton
Rosario	sloop	980	6	1400	Lt.-Comr. John P. Ives	Hongkong
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Comdr. T. Jackson	Wahaiwei
Sirius	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Lieut.-Comr. Murray Lockhart	Wahaiwei
Sunbe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Capt. C. H. H. Moore	Yangtze
Spartan Wharf	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Lt.-Comdr. Davidson	Hongkong
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6500		Hongkong
Talbot	cruiser, 2nd class	5600	11	9800	Captain Lewis Bayly	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	6	—	Commodore Robinson	Yangtze
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. E. V. Dawson	Japan
Thetis	cruiser, 2nd class	3400	8	9000	Capt. J. A. G. Wilkinson	Wahaiwei
Tweed	coast defence gunboat	363	8	200	Lieut. Forbes	Hankow
Vengeance	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Capt. Leslie Stuart, O.M.C.	Wahaiwei
Vestal	sloop	980	10	1400	Comdr. S. St. John Parquhar	Yangtze
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. A. B. Barker	Wahaiwei
Whitby	surveying ship	420	6	590	In Reserve	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Comr. Hugh Somerville	Hankow
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	550		Yangtze

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

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Aspern	Austrian cruiser	962	—	—	Capt. Friedrich Grinzenborzen	Kiautschou
Acheron	French gunboat	1798	—	—	Captain Laforiere	Saigon
Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Varney	Shanghai
Argus	French gunboat	475	3	450	Capt. Crepin	Shanghai
Aspic	French gunboat	580	—	—	Commander Journot	Saigon
Avallanche	French gunboat	580	—	—	Lieut. Hacon	Haiphong
Bengali	French gunboat	580	—	—	Capt. Lefevre	Shanghai
Bugeaud	French gunboat	580	—	—	Captain de Lamoignon	Nagasaki
Chateaufort	French gunboat	580	—	—	Commander Londe	Haiphong
Comedore	French gunboat	580	—	—	Commander Guthrie	Saigon
Decade	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. Le Gellou	Hankow
Kersaint	French gunboat	970	12	19,600	Capt. Hene	Taku
Lion	French gunboat	4016	27	8600	Capt. Bonifay	Yokohama
Montcalm	French gunboat	9437	8	6071	Capt. Hurst	Nagasaki
Orly	French gunboat	1798	10	2400	Capt. Soule	Saigon
Pascal	French gunboat	629	2	900	Capt. Vincent	Yokohama
Redoubtable	French gunboat	400	4	441	Captain Thomas	Yokohama
Styx	French gunboat	1857	15	2900	Comdr. F. Bus	Kobe
Surprise	French gunboat	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Amoy
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Meetings.

9.00 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The

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2.30 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's

Justice of Peace at the Magistracy.

5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Bothen Mark

Lodge.

Auction.

2 p.m.—Auction of Sundry Household

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Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Armande* unclaimed after

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Transfer Books of The China Traders'

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General Memoranda.

Wednesday, November 25:—

9 a.m.—Military Practice.

10 a.m.—Auction of Sundry Naval,

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Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Nursing

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The publication of this issue commenced

at 5.45 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1903.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

At the last meeting of the

Legislative Council, a bill

sanitary was introduced to amend

the Public Health and

Buildings Ordinance. One

of the sections deals with the constitu-

tion of the Sanitary Board, and the

alterations proposed are due to the

change of policy on the part, we pre-

sume, of the Colonial Office. It was

proposed by the Sanitary Experts, Mr

Osbert Chadwick and Professor

Simpson, that a new Government De-

partment should be created for the

purpose of controlling sanitary affairs

in the Colony. They proposed that the

Head of that Department should be

styled 'Sanitary Commissioner,' and that

he should be assisted in the administrative

work by the Sanitary Board, of which

he was to be the Permanent President.

The other members of the Board were

to be the Director of Public Works, the

Registrar General, the Captain Superin-

tendent of Police, and the Principal

Civil Medical Officer on the Government

side (five in all), while there were to

be six Unofficial Members, four to be

nominated by the Governor and two

elected by the ratepayers. Two of the

four nominated members were to be

Chinese. At the time, we criticised the

limited franchise granted to the rate-

payers. Although the Board was con-

stituted eventually on the lines suggested

by the experts, there was one important

change, due to the rejection by the

Government of the proposal to appoint

a Sanitary Commissioner and create a

new Department. The Principal Civil

Medical Officer has been made the Pre-

sident of the Board, and is thus head

of the two Departments—Medical and

Sanitary. As the Board is at present

constituted, there are four official and

six unofficial members. It is proposed

by the amending measure to add an

additional official member in the person

of the Medical Officer of Health. While

no opposition could reasonably be

urged against the addition of any

other official, we think the public will

regret that it is proposed to re-appoint

the Medical Officer of Health as a

member. It will be remembered that,

some years ago, the unofficial members

of the Board, with the exception of Mr

Edie, resigned because the M. O. H.

was added to the membership. It was

felt at the time that the M. O. H., as

one of the principal servants of the

Board, should not have a vote in the

Board's administration any more than

the Secretary of the Board, the Colonial

Veterinary Surgeon, or any of the other

executive officers of the Board. As it

happened, Dr Clark proved himself

to be one of the most valuable

members of the Board, and had been

appointed Sanitary Commissioner and

head of the Department suggested by

the Experts, his appointment would

have been welcomed. The proposed

re-appointment of the M.O.H. to the

Board as now constituted raises the old

question. If another official member is

needed, we would suggest that the

head of some other Department, the

Harbour Master, for instance, should be

appointed, and not a servant of the

Board. As M.O.H. Dr Clark's services

would always be available for

Committees.

Sale of the 'Lillebonne.'

On Saturday morning the American

steamer *Lillebonne* sold by auction for

\$8,000. The *Lillebonne* is a vessel of 166

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

Sir John and Lady Lister Kaye have

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The new U.S. cruiser *Denver* has failed

in her trials to cover 17 knots per hour.

Commander H. Osterhaus, U.S. N.,

arrived by the *Siberia* today to take over

command of the U.S. monitor *Monterey*

from Commander Baehler, who goes home.

According to news from the North

Dowager Empress is surrounded by a

variety of advisers. Some want war,

apparently, and some do not. Those who

want it are those who have no influence and

recognise the fact.

Victoria Lodge.

The election of officers took place at a

meeting of the Victoria Lodge 1026 E.C.,

on Saturday evening. Bro. C. W. Longue

was elected W.M., Bro. W. S. Allen,

treasurer, and Bro. J. Vanstone was re-

elected Tyler for the next year.

Football.

The Hongkong Football Club defeated

the Garrison on Saturday afternoon at

Happy Valley, by four tries to nil. The

Hongkong forwards were superior to the

Garrison pack, but the wickets of the day

prevented any brilliant play. Robertson

scored twice, Schladders once and Sand-

ford once for the Club.

The Oath of Office.

She heard her father saying that Mr

F. H. May had taken the oath of office on

Saturday.

She was curious and went out to see her

brother. 'Say, Johnnie, what is the oath

of office?'

Johnnie—'Oh, why, it's when a man

dassent swear around the house.'

SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.
(Before the Full Court.)
Monday, November 23.

LAND APPEAL CASE.

Pursuant to leave granted the Crown by the Full Court on November 12 to adduce fresh evidence in the case of Lam Tak Fok, and Lam Tsung Fok, who claim absolute ownership of said lands along the beach in front of Kowloon City and Chin Wan villages, Mr. Shide made application at the Supreme Court today on behalf of Tong Wan Chiu and Ku Fui Shan to be entered as respondents. The land survey District Nos. 2 and 3, Mr. Shide, who was instructed by Mr. F. B. Deacon, pleaded to be joined as respondents on the ground that his clients had an interest in the estate, having purchased the same from the Crown. The Attorney General, Mr. E. H. Sharpe, K.C., instructed by Mr. F. B. Deacon (Crown Solicitor) represented the appellants.

His Lordship asked if the Attorney General was ready to go on.

The Attorney General: I am quite ready, my Lord.

His Lordship said that the case had been *ex parte* until the Court gave leave to serve the notices on the other side.

Mr. Shide said that they naturally expected the Crown to join them, and their title was registered.

His Lordship: What do you mean by title? You mean deeds?

Mr. Shide said that under the proper construction of the Ordinance they had a title, and it was a portion of his case to prove they had. The names of the parties could easily have been ascertained by the Crown Solicitor if he went to the Land Office, and he submitted it would have been joined then.

Another reason was that unless the Crown could adduce further evidence it was obvious they could not possibly succeed, and it was only on the 13th of November that they obtained leave to adduce further evidence. When the Crown obtained leave it then became important to have the parties joined, so application was made immediately. The inevitable course, he said, was for one party to complete his evidence and file it, and then for the other party to complete his evidence in answer and file it also. A day for rehearing was then asked for. In this case however the procedure seems to have been reversed, for after the day was fixed, the evidence of the respondents, Mr. Shide, was set forth in the affidavit of Mr. Deacon, solicitor to the two appellants. From that it was seen that an agreement was entered into on Jan. 4th, 1902, between two men, Lam Tsung Fok and Lam Tak Fok on the one part, and the two appellants and another party, who had subsequently dropped out, on the other. Tong Wan Chiu and Ku Fui Shan were not parties to the agreement. They were not the purchasers from the claimants, whose title would be made clear hereafter. The agreement was entered into under terms which stipulated that the title under the Ordinance was to be settled by the Land Court. On December 7, 1901, the Land Court gave judgment on the claim of the two claimants and decided that they were entitled to an area of 50.59 acres, in December 30, 1902, Counsel sent a letter to the Registrar of the Land Court asking when the certificate of title would be issued as they wanted to deal with the property. No answer being received on January 15, 1903, he wrote to the Colonial Secretary asking for the certificate, and on January 22, 1903, an additional letter was sent. The agreement was only made subject to due recognition of the title by the Land Court, and it was with the purpose of obtaining that recognition that the letter was sent.

His Lordship asked if the money had been paid by the purchasers. He would like an affidavit as to whether it had been paid or not.

Mr. Shide said he understood that the money had been paid, but could not make an affidavit on it. On February 4, 1902, Mr. Shide received a letter from the Colonial Secretary stating that it was not considered expedient to issue a formal certificate of title pending the settlement of the taxes on the land. The respondents in this case were Leung Chuen Fok and Leung Tuk Leung, and on September 2, they completed a sale of their interest to the man who sold to the appellants. The letter of the Colonial Secretary was sufficient recognition of his clients' claims to the title and ownership of the land. Mr. Shide had made an affidavit in reply that he had not received any notice of interest in the claim. That was not an answer, and they could easily have found out that the applicants had an interest in the matter. Mr. Bowley did not deny that he knew of the claim. He only says that he did not receive the notice.

The Attorney General: He does not deny it.

Mr. Shide: I am astonished to hear you say that.

The Chief Justice: The only thing is whether the judgment of the Land Court was good or bad.

Mr. Shide: Well, I don't want to press the point any further.

The Chief Justice: The people may not have had power to transfer the land, but that is not to say that I have power or right to dispose of the Court building.

Mr. Shide argued that his clients had claims upon the land, having in fact a possessory title.

His Lordship: I am not to be treated as trespassers. I quite agree that it is up to you to show that this possession of the land accords to your claim is a good and proper one and is allowed upon appeal, there is no doubt then that you would be entitled to receive the title or to be paid compensation.

Mr. Shide: I think it is more complicated than that. We have at any rate acquired all the rights the claimants originally had.

The Attorney General: The letter was not written to them but to the solicitors of the original claimants.

Mr. Shide: I confess to that. The solicitors of the claimants say: You are quite safe in buying the land, because the title is recognized by the Government.

The Chief Justice: The letter does not say that Government has decided to grant the title. It would not be actually binding because it is not the Colonial Secretary's decision.

supposed they had discovered, that there had been some mistake in the decision of the Land Court, owing among other things, to the fact that one of the documents, a very important one, brought before the Court was alleged to be a forgery. It was not. I have not the slightest means of knowing anything about it. The allegation was, however, stated in the affidavit of Mr. Bowley, the Crown Solicitor, which affidavit was filed on August 24th 1902. That affidavit contained the suggestion that one of the documents was a forgery and the Attorney General appeared before this Court on August 29, 1902, and this Court gave him leave to appeal. Any doubt as to the way the Crown was found by the meaning of the word "discovery" in the Ordinance was set at rest by the fact that a special Ordinance was passed which gave the Chief Justice power to order a new trial on any decision of the Land Court when the Crown was represented before the Land Court or not. The affidavit of Mr. Bowley was filed in Court and an order was made for the Crown to produce the documents. It seems very strange to me after consideration that these Solicitors, who on behalf of the claimants were claiming compensation to the extent of \$485,000, should not even take the trouble to refer to the affidavit on which the Court had acted *ex parte* to grant leave to appeal. I am told by Counsel that no one in the office of that Solicitor read the affidavit, and the fact was in it. I accept that statement, but I can only say it is very strange to me that they did not take the trouble in a case where there was such an enormous sum of money hanging in the balance to see if they might find out for themselves. There has been a good deal of delay, but I do not discharge the duty of the Court. The Court has given the decision, and it is a decision given by the Land Court and is proper and correct. The present applicants were not before the Court when the case was originally heard and what interest they have has been acquired since. I am not in any way wishing to prejudice any claims they may have, but the claimants they have bought a long time after the decision and differ altogether from the claim of the person who said he had established his claim before the Court. I do not propose to complicate the question by asking other questions which the Court was asked, and whether the decision was correct, and therefore for my part I decline at this stage of the proceedings to add these parties as respondents. If they have any rights of the original claimants, they must bring them before the Court in any way they think fit in the future. I do not think they have any right to be added in these proceedings.

The Chief Justice concurred with the remarks of the Chief Justice, and the Court adjourned.

The application was dismissed with costs.

NO LONGER DISMISSED.

In this case the Crown are appealing against the decision of the Land Court. Ho Lok Fun claims the absolute ownership of land bordering the sea between Loewson and Kowloon City.

Mr. W. M. Shide, instructed by Mr. F. B. Deacon, appeared for the respondents, and the Attorney General and Mr. E. H. Sharpe, K.C., instructed by Mr. F. B. Deacon, appeared for the appellants.

Mr. Shide in applying for an adjournment of the case said that the two cases were practically identical. His arguments in both cases were substantially the same, and although there were two separate cases before the Court he was willing to take them together. The Attorney General, however, suggested it was more convenient to take them separately. The notice of motion was that the hearing of the appeal should be postponed on the ground that the respondent was unable to prepare his case by December 23 and was not in possession of the documents in the case. The facts were that on August 26, the Crown applied for a decision of the Land Court in this case. The application was made *ex parte*, and was granted *ex parte*. The order of granting them leave to appeal was in due course put upon his clients in this case. On November 23, 1902, he received notice that the Crown had been fixed for the hearing. On November 12 the Court gave leave to the Crown in an *ex parte* application, without calling upon the respondents, to adduce fresh evidence.

His Lordship: With leave for you to reply.

Mr. Shide stated that on the hearing of that application the Attorney General said that he would serve the affidavit, on which he intended to rely, upon respondents in due time for that purpose.

His Lordship said that *prima facie* the respondents should have precisely the same rights as the Crown. It would not do for the documents, which were alleged to be forgeries, to be given back to the person who had obtained them out of the colony. His Lordship suggested that an official of the court be sent to the Crown to see if it was necessary for it to leave the colony.

After further argument the case was adjourned.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 23rd at 11.25. The barometer has risen generally, except over N. China. The anticyclone covers China and Japan, and the cyclone over N. China.

Graduate continue rather steep, with heavy monsoon in the Fomosa Channel and N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh NE. winds; fine.

Football.

The V. R. C. Football Club defeated the Royal Engineers by 5 points to nil at Happy Valley on Saturday last. Owing to the non-arrival of the Tamar team, the A team had a forfeit.

The New Commodore.

It is anticipated that Commodore C. G. Robinson will be promoted at the beginning of January. Captain Charles G. Dicken has been selected to fill the vacancy here. Captain Dicken will probably leave England in January, and may be expected to arrive during February. Captain Dicken is at present Inspecting Captain of Torpedo Boat Destroyers in England, and was Flag Captain on the Royal Arthur during the time Admiral Pearson was in command of the Australian station.

Sax, mamma, queried little Mary Ellen, what's a dead letter? "Any letter that is given to your father to mail, my dear, replied the wise mother."

THE THIBET MISSION.

Simla, November 4.—As a good many wild rumours are about it many be useful to state how matters in Thibet now stand.

The mission is still at Kambajong, where Colonel Young's husband rejoins it shortly from Simla. The Thibetians have made no sign of fulfilling their undertaking to meet a properly-qualified representative to meet the British.

One of the two subordinate officials from Lhasa who arrived at Kambajong some time ago proved to have no authority to discuss the questions in dispute and has now left on the ground of sickness.

There has been no open hostility on the part of the Thibetians, but it is quite clear that the Lamas are playing their old game of procrastination in the hope that the Mission may get tired and withdraw to India.

In the meantime the Thibetians are engaged in the fulfilment of their engagements in regard to the opening of Thibet to British trade would have to begin all over again next spring.

The transport which is being collected in Sikkim and the stores which are being pushed up will enable the mission to remain where it is throughout the winter, and if any attack is made on the mission it will be in a position to retreat to India, to protect it. It is possible that another Supply Corps may be sent up to help with the road which proves to be a heavy task to get into and out of at present.

Calcutta, November 6.—Only the formal sanction of the Secretary of State is awaited before the mission at Kambajong pushes into Thibetan territory.

ALLEGED HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

Man Brutally Assaulted.

A brutal and dastardly highway robbery has been reported from Wong-ni-chung. At a late hour last night a Chinaman accompanied by his nephew, was going from Wong-ni-chung to Taihang, and when he was just opposite the football ground in Wong-ni-chung Road, a band of men jumped out from the bamboo that line the edge of the roadway, and one of them dealt him a stunning blow on the head with an iron bar. He sank to the ground in a dazed condition, with the blood streaming down his face. Before he could regain his feet, a couple of the men seized him and held him down. His nephew was away as soon as he saw the men, and being frightened hid himself in some bushes along the road, where he remained in fear and trembling until the gang had departed. While the man was on the ground, the thieves pulled a ring from his finger, wrenched a bangle from his wrist, and searched him for money. They found a bag under his coat which contained \$30, and a watch, and appropriated that also. Having completed their desire the thieves decamped, leaving the man lying on the ground. After a moment or two he reeled aged to stand up, but being unable to regain his footing, he sat down by the roadside for some time before he recovered slightly, and managed to stagger away to No. 2 Police Station, where he was reported.

The occurrence was immediately sent out to investigate the matter, but all trace of the gang was missing. Signs of a struggle were found, but the assailants were unable to be traced. The man's head was found to have been hit, and the blood was still on the ground. The man's money was found to be missing, and the watch was also missing. The man's condition was found to be very dark and lonely spot at night, and one which affords excellent facilities for assaults of this description to prey the unwary passer-by.

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FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAICHING, Captain PARSONS, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 24th November, at Daylight.

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Hongkong, November 23, 1903. 2362

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

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Hongkong, November 23, 1903. 2342

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(Taking through Cargo to New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

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HONGKONG NURSING INSTITUTION.

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The Committee have pleasure in presenting the third annual Report and Statement of Accounts to the Subscribers.

There has been no change in the nursing staff, the Institution still having the benefit of the services of Miss J. M. Kennedy, B.Sc., and Miss M. J. Kennedy, B.Sc., who have been engaged during the last twelve months for 266 and 260 days, which indicates the continued appreciation and demand for the services of trained nurses.

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By Command, A. M. THOMSON, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, November 23, 1903. 2359

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GODOWN, Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office, Hongkong, November 23, 1903. 2370

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Recitals Daily. Price from \$450 up.

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ON the Night of the 17th instant, between the German Club, Kennedy Road and the Theatre, SMALL RUBY and DIAMOND RING. Reward if brought to St. George's House, Kennedy Road. Hongkong, November 23, 1903. 2366

HONGKONG NURSING INSTITUTION.

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